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SUBJECT: ALLEGED REMARKS BY SECRETARY ABOUT
PRESIDENT ASAD

REF: STATE 58810

1. CONTENTS OF REFTEL PASSED AT 9:30 THIS MORNING
TO PRESIDENT ASAD'S PRIVATE SECRETARY DABUL AND HIS
PRESS ADVISER ELIAS. BOTH MEN WERE EXTREMELY APPRE-
CIATIVE FOR INFORMATION AND MORE IMPORTANTLY FOR
YOUR ASSURANCES WHICH THEY PROMISED TO CONVEY
IMMEDIATELY TO THE PRESIDENT. THEY SAID
THEY WOULD ALSO MAKE RECOMMENDATION TO THE PRESIDENT TO RECEIVE
ME IN PERSONAL INTERVIEW IN ORDER THAT I MIGHT
UNDERSCORE "PERSONAL" ASPECT OF YOUR ASSURANCES.
I TOLD THEM THAT I WAS NOT INSTRUCTED TO INSIST
ON SEEING THE PRESIDENT BUT, OF COURSE, IF SUCH
AN INTERVIEW COULD BE ARRANGED I WOULD
APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO EMPHASIZE TO THE PRESIDENT
DIRECTLY YOUR FEELINGS ON THIS MATTER.
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